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**REMARKS**

In response to the Restriction Requirement, applicant elects Group I (claims 1-18) without traverse. Applicant has requested cancellation of claims 19-39 without prejudice or disclaimer of Applicant's right to pursue such claims in one or more continuing or divisional applications.

Examination of the Group I claims on the merits is respectfully requested.

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